Subsection 371, Title 14, CCR, is repealed:

- §371. Deer Tag Application and Distribution Procedures.
- (a) Distribution of License Tags:
- (1) Deer tags for X zones, additional hunts, and area-specific archery hunts shall be distributed by drawing unless otherwise authorized. Applicants shall submit their deer tag application to the Department of Fish and Game. License and Revenue Branch, 3211 S Street, Sacramento, California 95816 (Or by mail to PO Box 949035, West Sacramento, CA 95798-9035). Applications must be received by the department by 5:00 p.m. on the first business day after June 1. Successful applicants will be selected by drawing within 10 calendar days following the application deadline date. If the drawing is delayed due to circumstances beyond the department's control, the department shall conduct the drawing at the earliest date possible. Successful and unsuccessful applicants will be notified by mail.
- (2) Except as noted in subsection 371(e) below, deer tags for A, B, C, and D zones and leftover drawing tags shall be issued upon request until each tag quota fills. If, on any given day, the number of applications received for any zone or hunt exceeds the number of available tags, the department may conduct a drawing for that zone or hunt. (b) Application Forms: Except for permits and deer tags issued pursuant to sections 4181.5, 4188, and 4334 of the Fish and Game Code, application forms for deer tags (2001/2002 CALIFORNIA RESIDENT ONE-DEER TAG APPLICATION, LRB 1371A, rev. 4/2001; 2001/2002 CALIFORNIA NONRESIDENT ONE-DEER TAG APPLICATION, LRB 1371B, rev. 4/2001; 2001/2002 CALIFORNIA RESIDENT SECOND-DEER TAG APPLICATION, LRB 1371D, rev. 4/2001, incorporated by reference herein) shall be made available to the public at license agents and regular offices of the department.
- (c) Application Procedures:
- (1) Applicants must be at least 12 years of age and possess a California resident or nonresident hunting license valid for the deer hunting season for which they are applying, except applicants for additional junior deer hunts, who must possess a California junior hunting license.
- (2) No more than six persons may apply together as a party. To be considered as a party, all applications must be stapled together with the party leader's application on top and mailed in one envelope. All party members' applications must show the same tag choices in the same order of preference, the total number of persons in the party, and the party leader's name and identification number. All party members shall be awarded tags according to the choices listed on the party leader's application. Incorrect or incomplete party applications will be separated and awarded tags on an individual basis.
- (3) Incomplete, incorrect, or ineligible applications will be rejected.
- (d) Application Fee: The department shall require that the specified fee for a deer tag be paid as a prerequisite to obtaining a deer tag application. In addition to the tag fee, the department shall also charge a nonrefundable \$2.00 processing fee for each deer tag application.

- (e) Application Restrictions:
- (1) One-Deer Tag Application:
- (A) A person may use a one-deer tag application to apply for an X zone, additional hunt, or area-specific archery hunt tag issued by drawing as specified in subsection 371(d)(1) above.
- (B) A person may use a one-deer tag application to apply for an A, B, C, or D zone tag or archery-only tag issued upon request.
- (C) A person may use a one-deer tag application to apply for any X zone, additional hunt, or area-specific archery hunt tag remaining on the first business day after July 1. Applications must be submitted to the department's License and Revenue Branch in Sacramento, except applications for area-specific archery hunts A-22 and A-23, which may be submitted in person to the department's Long Beach or San Diego offices.

 (2) Second-Deer Tag Application:
- (A) A person may use a second-deer tag application to apply for an A or B zone tag or archery-only tag issued upon request.
- (B) A person may use a second-deer tag application to apply for any area-specific archery tag remaining on the first business day following July 1. Applications must be submitted to the License and Revenue Branch in Sacramento, except applications for area-specific archery hunts A-22 and A-23, which may be submitted in person to the department's Long Beach or San Diego offices.
- (C) A person may use a second-deer tag application to apply for any C or D zone tag or additional hunt tag, except an additional junior hunt tag, remaining on the first business day following September 1. Applications may be submitted before that date to the License and Revenue Branch in Sacramento.
- (D) A person in possession of a valid junior hunting license, who has not used a one-deer tag application to apply for an additional junior hunt, may use a second-deer tag application to apply for an additional junior hunt tag issued by drawing as specified in subsection 371(d)(1) above. A junior hunter may not submit more than one application for additional junior hunts.
- (E) No person shall submit more than one one-deer tag application and one second-deer tag application to the department during any one license year. Any person in violation of this subsection may be denied deer tags for the current and following license year.
- (f) Deer Tag Exchange Fee: The department shall charge a nonrefundable \$5.75 processing fee for exchanging a deer tag for a different zone or hunt.

 NOTE

Authority cited: Sections 200, 202, 203, 220 and 1050, Fish and Game Code. Reference: Sections 200, 202, 203, 203.1, 207, 1050 and 4330-4333, Fish and Game Code.